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TAGS: PFOR, CASC (LIFSCHULTZ, LAWRENCE S.)

SUBJ: FORCED DEPARTURE OF JOURNALIST

1. LAWRENCE S. LIFSCHULTZ (U.S. NATIONAL) ADVISES EMBASSY HIS VISA IS NOT BEING RENEWED AND HE WILL BE FORCED TO LEAVE INDIA FOR WHAT HE BELIEVES IS A STORY (FAR EASTERN ECONOMIC REVIEW, JANUARY 16) ON THE GOI TAKE OVER OF CONTROL OF

INDIAN EXPRESS NEWSPAPERS.

2. LIFSCHULTZ THEORIZES THE CAUSE FOR THIS ACTION IS BECAUSE HE DID NOT PRESENT GOI SIDE OF CASE IN HIS INITIAL REPORT THOUGH THE MAGAZINE DID PUBLISH IT THE FOLLOWING WEEK. ALSO FEELS JAN 2 ARTICLE ON NAXALITES COULD BE ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTING FACTOR.

3. HE IS APPEALING CASE THROUGH MOI AND MEA CHANNELS AND RATES HIS CHANCES OF A REVERSAL AT ONLY 40 PER CENT.

4. LIFSCHULTZ INFORMS EMBASSY WALL STREET JOURNAL NOW HAS 49 PERCENT INTEREST IN FAR EASTERN ECONOMIC

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AND THOUGH OTHER INVESTMENTS EFFECTIVE CONTROL OF THIS  
PUBLICATION. CORRESPONDENT ALSO REPRESENTS MANCHESTER  
GUARDIAN.

5. WE HAVE BEEN GOING ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT ALTHOUGH  
LIFSCHULTZ IS AN AMERICAN AND ENTITLED TO CONSULAR  
PROTECTION, HE IS NOT REPRESENTING AMERICAN PRESS INTERESTS  
AND THEREFORE WE HAVE NO DIRECT INTEREST IN HIS FORCED  
DEPARTURE. WE HAD BEEN UNAWARE OF THE WALL STREET JOURNAL  
INTEREST IN THE FEER. REQUEST DEPTADVISE WHETHER IT  
BELIEVES WE SHOULD "PROTEST" OR OTHERWISE EXPRESS USG  
INTEREST IN LIFSCHULTZ CASE.  
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